

OSMP Marshall Mesa Trailhead

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Marshall Mesa Trailhead

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LOCATION

Just east of the intersection of Highway 93 and Marshall Road.

PARKING

Parking is available for cars and horse trailers.

TRAILS

Marshall Mesa Trail connects to the Community Ditch Trail and a loop hike can be taken combining these two trails. Self-guided interpretive signs about the coal mining and geologic history of the Marshall area are located along this trail.

Community Ditch Trail provides access to the south to the Greenbelt Plateau Trail and to the west to the Doudy Draw area.

RESTROOMS

Yes.

PICNIC FACILITIES

Yes.

BIKE REGULATIONS

Bicycles are allowed on Marshall Mesa Trail, Greenbelt Plateau Trail and Community Ditch Trail. Bicycles may be ridden only on those trails that are posted with the international bicycle symbol. Other bike trails on Open Space and Mountain Parks.

DOG REGULATIONS

All dogs must be leashed in the parking lot and trailhead area. Follow this link for a map of the leash requirement area.

Beyond the trailhead leash area, dogs must be on a hand-held leash unless they meet the voice and sight control standard and display a City of Boulder Voice and Sight tag. Dog excrement removal is required by law.

HORSE REGULATIONS

Horses are allowed on all trails. On-trail riding is encouraged to protect rare plants and wildlife habitat.

WILDLIFE

Birds of prey are frequently sighted in this area. Coyotes and mule deer are common.

HISTORIC INFO

Coal mining area in the 1860's. Mines after 1900. For a fascinating account of the coal mining at Marshal Mesa, download a copy of Joanna Sampson's brochure "Walking through History on Marshall Mesa."

- Walking through History on Marshall Mesa (2.12 Mb)

Before You Go

Please know OSMP rules and regulations.

Please study our six Leave No Trace" Principles to protect the land.

Dog owners: see our special dog page.

Hikers and climbers: Please be aware of all area closures.

Mountain bikers: Follow this link for trails where you can bike.

More Useful Links:

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[Trail system overview](#)

[Stay Safe, Know the Hazards](#)

[Wheelchair Accessible Trails guide](#)